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AMENDMENT "A"

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 11, 2003. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, i.e., by October 14, 2003, as October 11, 2003, is a Saturday and October 13, 2003, is a federal holiday, and this response is being filed within that time period. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record for this application.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.